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[REDACTED] said he had recently discussed U.S.-Yemeni relations with [REDACTED] and other friends in the Foreign Office. They had all speculated that the U.S., while it might wish in principle to keep its "foot in the door" in Yemen, might no longer be interested in a direct and expanding relationship with the Yemeni government now that Yemen had joined the UAS, presumably because the U.S. would reason that the Imam and the Yemeni Government no longer had final say in their own affairs, and major questions affecting Yemen could therefore best be handled through Cairo. (a)(5)(a)(9)

Comment: While [REDACTED] is, of course, well aware of U.S. attempts last December to establish a Legation in Taiz and to launch a modest aid program, he is not au courant with U.S. efforts since that time. In any event, [REDACTED] distinctly implied that the Foreign Office is surprised at what it interprets as U.S. current de-emphasis on Yemen. In his view, the U.S. as well as Saudi Arabia should be taking a more active role in current Yemeni affairs. (a)(5)(a)(9)

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